



APPROVED
SUMMARIZED MINUTES

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018
CITY HALL – KIVA CONFERENCE ROOM
3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bretz called the Study Session of the Scottsdale Transportation Commission to order at 5:18 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Don Anderson, Commissioner
Gary Bretz, Chair
George Ertel, Commissioner
Barry Graham, Vice-Chair
Michael Kuzel, Commissioner

ABSENT: Renee Higgs, Commissioner
Pamela Iacovo, Commissioner

STAFF: Paul Basha, Transportation Director
Frances Cookson, Staff Representative
Ratna Korepella, Principal Transit Planner
Pedro Rodriguez, Transit Operations Coordinator

REVIEW OF TONIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

• **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Study Session of the Transportation Commission – January 18, 2018

Regular Meeting of the Transportation Commission – January 18, 2018

Commissioner noted typo in regular minutes- page 8, paragraph 1, 129th Street should be 128th Street

- **Bus and Trolley Route Optimization Plan**

Mr. Basha noted Ratna Korepella will be presenting tonight. Mr. Basha noted that we are on a bit of a time crunch, we need you to make a recommendation this evening. We have spent a considerable amount of time on research over the last six months evaluating bus and trolley routes. Ms. Korepella will present the result of these analysis. We have two recommendations regarding changes to our bus operation and two changes relative to trolleys- we are consolidating three trolley routes to two routes. Our existing trolley routes are insufficient, redundant. First time we have reevaluated our trolley routes. Chair expressed his concern with the changes. A discussion was held on bus and trolley route changes and ridership.

- **Capital Budget Process and Status**

Mr. Basha moved this item from March to February meeting. We are in the middle of our final development of the Capital Improvement program, the City Manager has yet to finalize his recommendation to City Council. The request will be presented to the City Council on April 10, 2018. Tonight's presentation is continued in process. There are two aspects of it I would like to highlight, the commission had voted to move two projects be moved to the bottom of the list- 128th Street and Via Linda and 126th Street and Via Linda. Those recommendations were considered by staff; however, we believe these should be included in the Capital Improvement five-year plan, the dominant reason is our police have asked us to. A brief discussion was held on process for the commissioners to have these two projects removed from the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.

Mr. Basha advised secondly, we believe a roundabout is appropriate at 128th Street and Via Linda, that's not the decision in the Capital Improvement Program, the decision is to include it as a project to be analyzed and determine the appropriate traffic control improvement. A brief discussion was held on who makes the final decision. Transportation Commission makes recommendations.

Commissioner inquired if the commissioners would be willing to support sending a letter to City Council restating our position? A brief discussion was held on support for sending a letter. Mr. Basha explained would be best for this item to be put on the agenda and voted on.

- **Announcements**

Mr. Basha explained the importance of the commissioners to not respond to ALL during e-mail correspondence.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss Chair Bretz adjourned the Study Session at 5:56 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Frances Cookson

Transportation Coordinator

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